

SEX-ED: RESPONSE & RESPONSIBILITY : Spectrums of Consent / On Power & Play

Thursday February 26, 7 - 10 PM

Join us for a workshop on consent, responsibility, and kink organized by BHQFU's SEX-ED program. We will spend half our time playing, half our time talking.

Chloe Rossetti will be experimenting with some somatic practices to model consent in the body.

BECAUSE OF SPACE CONSTRAINTS PLEASE EMAIL SEXEDBHQFU@GMAIL.COM TO RSVP!!!!

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SEX-ED is centered on the means by which we give and receive pleasure and the ways in which we understand intimacy. This pilot program aims to produce a communication-based, pleasure-oriented, and politically engaged course at BHQFU.

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Monthly workshops will explore concepts relating to sexuality and intimacy. In order to activate a productive and radical sexual discourse, part of each session will be spent workshopping communication structures and developing specific protocols for self-expression and desire.

Workshops will be fun, rigorous, safe, and sexy. Each theme will be an attempt to make sense of—in critical terms—sexual relations on a social or cultural scale. While there will be “theory” involved—and some theories more than others—our approaches will be propelled by the ways in which we can translate concepts into questions, and questions into practices. How can we orient our sex lives around pleasure and intimacy, rather than capitalist structured patterns of gains and losses? How can we undo not just the structures of domination aimed at our own bodies, but also those aimed at repressing the possibilities between bodies? How can we be more deliberate with one another? And more responsible for one another?

Visiting guests will include artists, public intellectuals, mothers, and whores.

Ideally, through this program, we hope to have a better idea of how students relate to their sexuality in a group setting as well as how to make communication visible in a classroom. By the end of the sessions, we hope to advance a course—and a practice—that gives everyone an opportunity to imagine the kinds of relationships that live up to their desires across all relationships, and across all desires.

Dear Sex-Ed,

We are holding our next workshop, on Relationship Models, this Thursday at 7 PM.

This workshop is about openings, and the closures that define them.

We are so wet for an opening. Many openings.

First, a premise: the university. It's not about universals, it's about all the differences a universe contains. One stake in a "free" university is how to open up a space for free play. Not just any free play - certainly not the bachelor/ette party preceding one's inevitable marriage to productive society - but an entire universe dedicated to redesigning the discipline that our play demands. Last month we played with each other. Tonight, we work with each other. Then play again.

Let's take a look at how openness operates within several types of relationships and economic models: facilitator and participator, co-worker and employee, consumer and producer, and especially: families, friends, colleagues and lovers. We will explore each other through various group activities and discussions.

Once again, the night begins with work, ends with play, and goes home with conversation. We invite you to come prepared with your own individual practices, desires, and agendas. What must we consider when defining new terms for relating with and to one another, openly? Opening the space means closing the doors: leave whenever you need to, but the class will close and remain closed starting at 7:15. No booze until 10 p.m. please!

Since we like to keep these workshops intimate, PLEASE RSVP if you plan on attending by following this link -----><http://goo.gl/forms/nuquKoD7uP> **

Again, we're here to provide social liquidation, so you can show up fashionably early and leave the booze in the fridge till break.

Anticipating your presence,
Ana and Victoria

Hi SEX-ED,

For our fourth workshop we want everyone to recognize where they are in relation to sex and work, and to get everyone interested in, turned on by, that relationship. Is it sexwork? Sex and work? Sex with work? Sex at work? Sex for work? Sex against work?

The workshop will be comprised of a game and a small discussion group. We will organize ourselves into a corporation, keyword: corporal. Be prepared to find yourself somewhere between a corporate leadership seminar and a community action center.

There will be four small discussion groups you participants can join:

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT: A conversation on seduction, unconscious desire, intimate exchanges, and taste, led by Lauren Elizabeth

HUMAN RESOURCES: On "never mixing business with pleasure" and making work more pleasurable and sex less productive, led by Ana Cecilia Alvarez

DOMESTIC AFFAIRS: A discussion on how to maintain relations of truth and economies of desire led by Rebecca Campbell

PAYROLL: On unionizing your lovers, led by Victoria Campbell and Michael Swellander

As always, we invite you to come with your own agendas, your own questions, your own aims, your own desires. We ask you save the booze for before and after the workshop. And please arrive fashionably on time. We will close the doors at 7:15 PM.

Wet for you,
SEX-ED